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IN MEMORY OF BISHOP MEDLEY.

PAN-ANGLICAN
THANK OFFERING.

APPEAL

FROM THE

BISHOP AND SYNOD

TO THE

CHURCHMEN

OF THE

Diocese of Fredericton.

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**A Prayer to be used before the assembling of
the Pan-Anglican Congress and the
Lambeth Conference of 1908.**

BLESSED be the Lord God of our Fathers, Who hath redeemed us unto Himself out of many nations and languages, that we should be to the praise of His glory. Let us lift our hearts unto the one God and Father of all, that grace may be given to us to preach unto the heathen the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to set forward the salvation of all men. O Almighty God, pour forth, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Spirit upon Thy servants who shall come together from many lands for counsel and mutual help in the work of Thy Holy Church. Grant unto them and unto us abundance of wisdom and of zeal, that we may both know Thy will and fulfil it with all our powers, to the advancement of Thy Kingdom and the blessing of all mankind, through Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

**Prayer for the Conference of Bishops at Lambeth
- July, 1908.**

Fi Archbishop Longley, MDCCCLXVII.

O LORD God Almighty, Father of Lights and Fountain of all Wisdom: we humbly beseech Thee that Thy Holy Spirit may lead into all truth Thy servants the Bishops (soon to be) gathered together in Thy Name. Grant them Grace to think and do such things as shall tend most to Thy Glory and the good of Thy Holy Church: direct and prosper, we pray Thee, all their consultations, and further them with Thy continued help, that, the true Catholic and Apostolic Faith once delivered to the Saints being maintained, Thy Church may serve Thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

I must not forget to remind you of the way in which this fund will help us in our work. Its purpose is, as I have said, to complete the endowment of the Medley Memorial Canonry, so that there may be at least one clergyman whom the Bishop might send here and there through the Diocese to take the ministrations of the Church into our vacant Missions. In this way, much good would undoubtedly be done. For want of some such work, the children of our Church in vacant parishes grow up strangers to her voice, and wander away to be shepherded in other folds. Much of this might be avoided if only occasionally services were held. The ground would, at least, be kept open, where it might otherwise be permanently closed; and many a faithful member of the Church would have the comfort of knowing that, at all events, his needs were being remembered. It is with the possibility of all this before us that I put before you this idea of a united Thank Offering in connection with next year's Congress.

I would earnestly call your attention to the prayers which are herewith printed, and authorized for use in the Diocese. No amount of organization alone can ensure success. I hope, therefore, that in every Church and home prayer will be regularly offered.

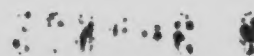
I have only one more thing to say—will you read carefully every word of this pamphlet, and then ask yourself how you can best help to carry out its plan? If the work is to be successful, it must be done by the many, and not by the few. We want the help of every member of the Church.

Faithfully, your friend and Bishop,

JOHN FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, All Saints Day, 1907.

John Fredericton



THE PAN-ANGLICAN CONGRESS

AND THE

GREAT THANK-OFFERING.

Under the name of the Anglican Church, or Anglican Communion, we include, it is hardly necessary to say, much more than the Church of England in the Mother-land. The Church in the British colonies throughout the world, the widely scattered stations of the Mission Field, and the large and important Sister Churches of Ireland, Scotland and the United States, all form a part of the great Anglican Communion. People of a great variety of races, nations and languages, as each Lord's Day comes round, join with ourselves in the familiar words of the Book of Common Prayer. In this world-wide Communion of the Anglican Church there are, in round numbers:

Bishops	300
Clergy	34,000
Communicants	5,000,000
Members	30,000,000

At the Lambeth Conference in July, 1908, the Bishops of the Church will again meet to consult together on their world-wide work. This will be the fifth of the Lambeth Conferences, and it is expected that more than 200 of our Bishops will be in attendance. The conferences are held at intervals of ten years, and it is certain that the approaching one will be a very important gathering.

The Conference at Lambeth next summer will be preceded by a series of meetings, of scarcely less importance, known as the Pan-Anglican Congress.

What is the Pan-Anglican Congress?

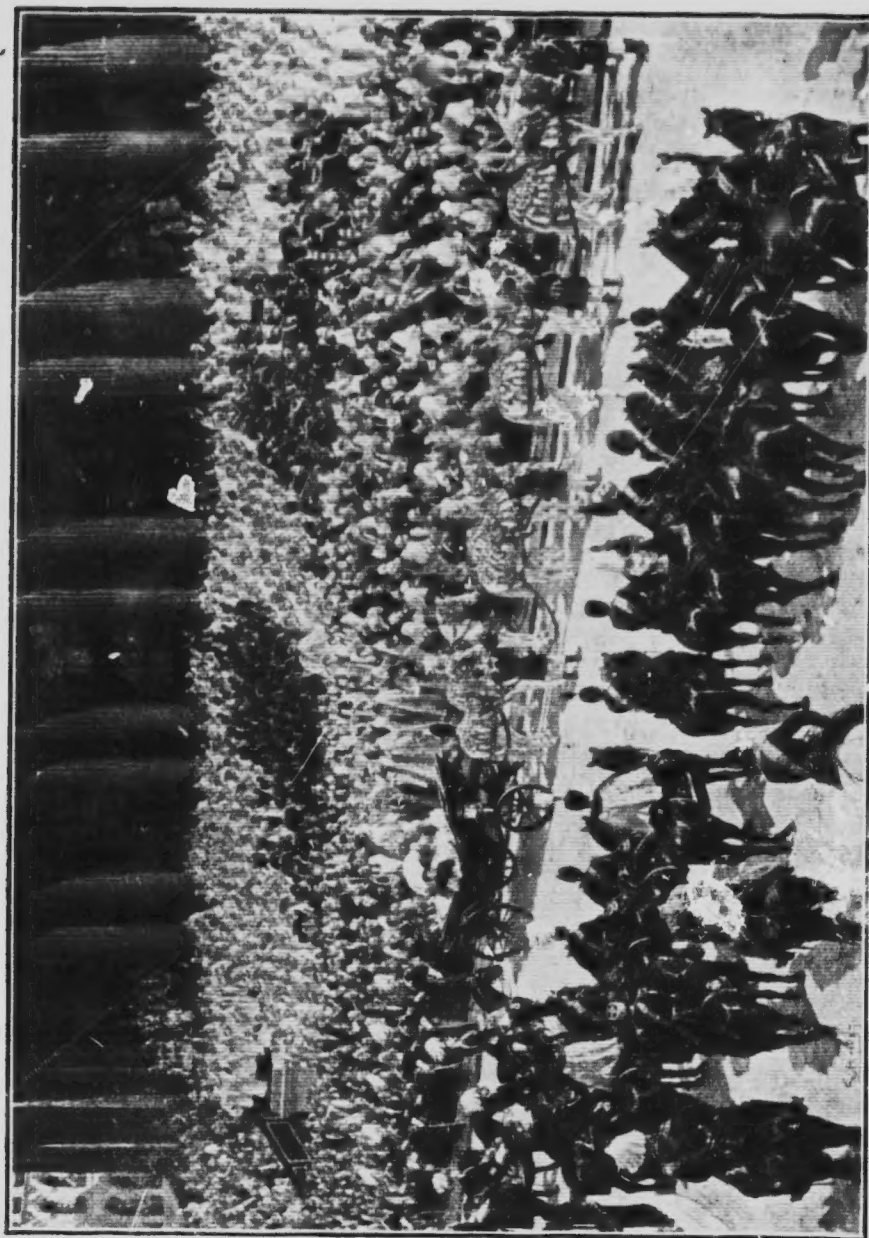
A great ten days Meeting in London of clergymen, laymen and women from every part of the world, who will discuss subjects of great importance to the Church and to Humanity. The Congress will begin with services in Westminster Abbey on Sunday, June 15th, 1908. The discussions and debates will continue every morning and afternoon throughout the week, and in the evenings Mass Meetings will be held in the great Albert Hall. So representative a gathering has never been held before in the history of British Christianity.

Who will take part in the Congress?

All Dioceses outside the British Isles are being asked to send Delegates to the Congress. Those chosen for our own Diocese are Archdeacons Forsyth and Newnham, Rev. Canon Cowie, Rev. G. A. Kuhring, Mr. Justice Hanington, and one woman delegate to be chosen by the W. A. There will be all kinds of people among the delegates—bishops, clergy, laymen and women, summoned from widely distant parts of our world-wide Empire to discuss the great problems connected with the Church's life and work. The delegates from the United States will include some of the ablest thinkers and speakers of that great nation; Australia and New Zealand, India and Japan, too, will be represented.

What will the Congress do?

It will, we trust, under the guidance of the Blessed Spirit, discuss the Church's greatest needs. For, for example, the Church may bring the power of religion into family life, and into questions affecting trade and labour; how human thought may be guided to recognize the truth revealed in Jesus Christ; how those definitely engaged in Christian work may best be prepared for their work; how unity among Christians may be restored; how the immigrant population of Canada and the colonies may be kept Christian or be made so. In a word,



ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, DIAMOND JUBILEE, 1897. Queen Victoria in foreground, Bishops, Clergy and Choir on steps.
Here the Pan-Anglican Bank Offering will be presented on June 24th, 1898.

God's purpose may be accomplished that "the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea." Such a Congress as that proposed will, it is hoped, throw light upon the best ways of meeting the needs of the times in which we live, for the Glory of God and the welfare of our fellow-men.

A Great Thank Offering.

On the last day of the Congress, June 24th, 1908 (St. John Baptist Day), there will be a great Thanksgiving Service in St. Paul's Cathedral. At this service a *Thank Offering* will be solemnly offered to Almighty God for the many blessings granted to our Church in its growth, extension and spiritual development in all regions of the globe. Every Diocese, it is believed, is collecting money for this purpose. Every Bishop will offer in St. Paul's Cathedral the sum entrusted to him by his Diocese. The general idea is that the money shall be used for the strengthening and extension of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world, but liberty is left to each Diocese to appropriate its offerings to some local need. In England it has been decided that all Thank Offerings will be devoted to work outside the British Isles.

Our Thank Offering—Why we should give it.

We should give it for very shame's sake, when all the other Dioceses of the Anglican Communion are joining in the Offering.

But there is another and a better reason. When our forefathers came to the shores of this Province, poor in purse, but strong in faith and hope—in the days of their poverty, that noble English Missionary Society, the S. P. G., sent them clergymen, helped them to build their Churches, and has continued its help to us their children for more than a century of years. And when Bibles and Prayer Books, and Parish and Sunday School libraries were needed, another equally noble English Society, the S. P. C. K., came to our aid. That Society, too, helped in the building of many of our Churches, and also

provided scholarships in order that our sons, who felt in their hearts the call of God, might be enabled to pursue at college their studies for the sacred ministry.

When, in 1845, it was found imperatively necessary—if the Church in New Brunswick was to fulfil her mission and occupy the field that lay about her—that a strong hand should be at the helm, and a wise and earnest chief pastor should guide her course, England gave to us one of the best of her sons in John Medley, our first Bishop, the friend of Keble and of Gladstone. And it was England, too, with comparatively small as-



THE CATHEDRAL, FREDERICTON.

sistance from New Brunswick churchmen, that provided the stipend for the Bishopric, and endowed it for all time. One of Bishop Medley's first acts was to build the chapel of St. Anne's at Fredericton, a gem of ecclesiastical architecture, to serve as an object lesson to his clergy in the erection of their parish churches in the years to come, and to be absolutely free to all comers, so long as the fabric should last. It was built with his own money. It was very largely through the generosity of Bishop Medley's friends in England, too, that our beautiful Christ-Church Cathedral in Fredericton was built.

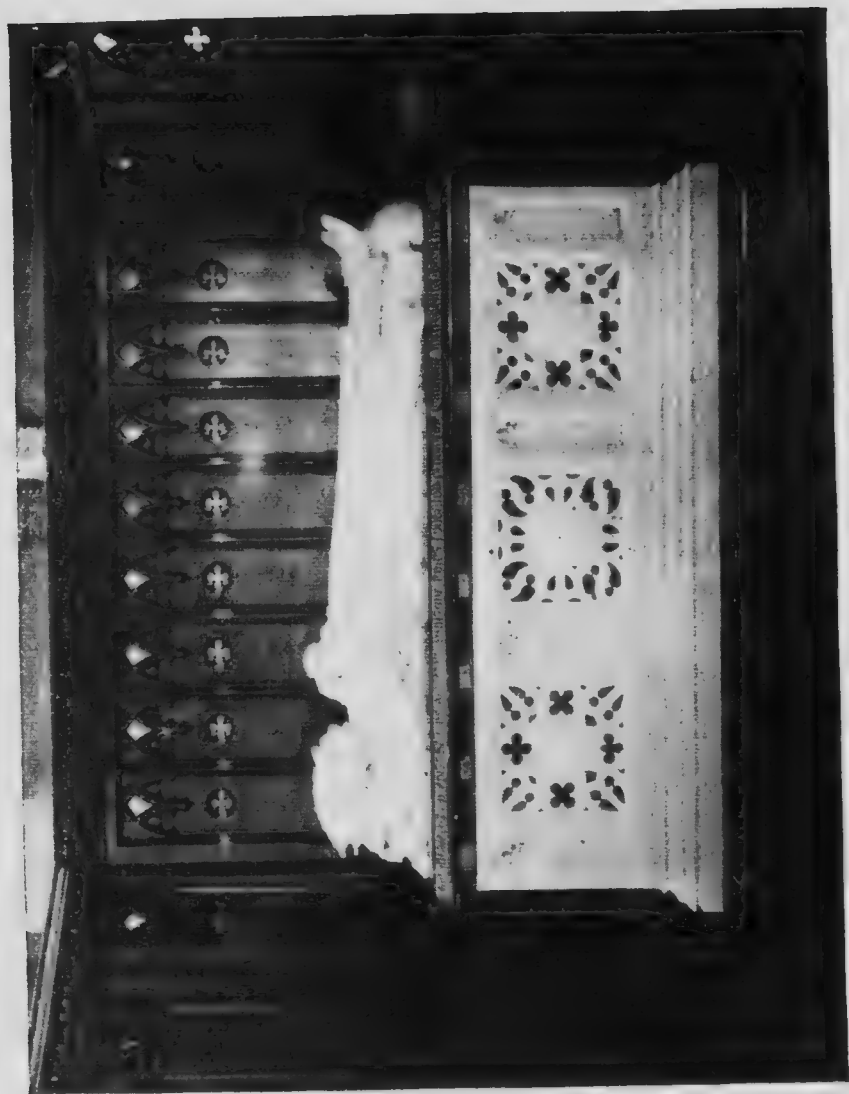
If then England has done so much for us in the past, in all these varied ways, ought we not in simple gratitude gladly to take our part in this great Church of England Thank Offering? The venerable S. P. G. Missionary Society has urgent calls elsewhere, and has helped our Diocese almost too long already. We must ourselves take up the burden, and the object of *our* Thank Offering is to help us to do it.

Our Thank Offering—What it is.

The Bishop of the Diocese, in the charge which he delivered to the Synod in October last, called attention to the fact that ten missions in our midst have at present no clergyman! His Lordship suggested that, as there will almost always be some vacant fields, it would be well that there should be one or two unattached clergy at the Bishop's disposal, whom he could send here and there, through the Diocese, to keep open missions in which for the time being there are no regular ministrations of the Church. The Synod, after full consideration of the question, selected, as the object of our Diocesan Thank Offering, the completion of the endowment of the Bishop Medley Memorial Canonry, all funds collected in the various parishes to be devoted to this object. It is felt that, in dealing with the urgent needs of our vacant parishes, the interests of the Church may be best conserved by having a Missionary attached to the staff of the Cathedral, available for temporary duty in any vacant mission, and ready to proceed to any place where his services are most required. The Canon Missionary might also act, to some extent, as organizing Secretary of the Diocese.

The Bishop Medley Memorial Canonry Fund.

We have already the nucleus of a Fund for our proposed object. On the 13th of September, 1892, the day on which all that was mortal of Bishop Medley was laid to rest beneath the shadow of his Cathedral, a meeting was held in the Church Hall in Fredericton, at which the following resolution was adopted:



MEDLEY MEMORIAL TOMB IN SOUTH TRANSEPT OF THE CATHEDRAL.

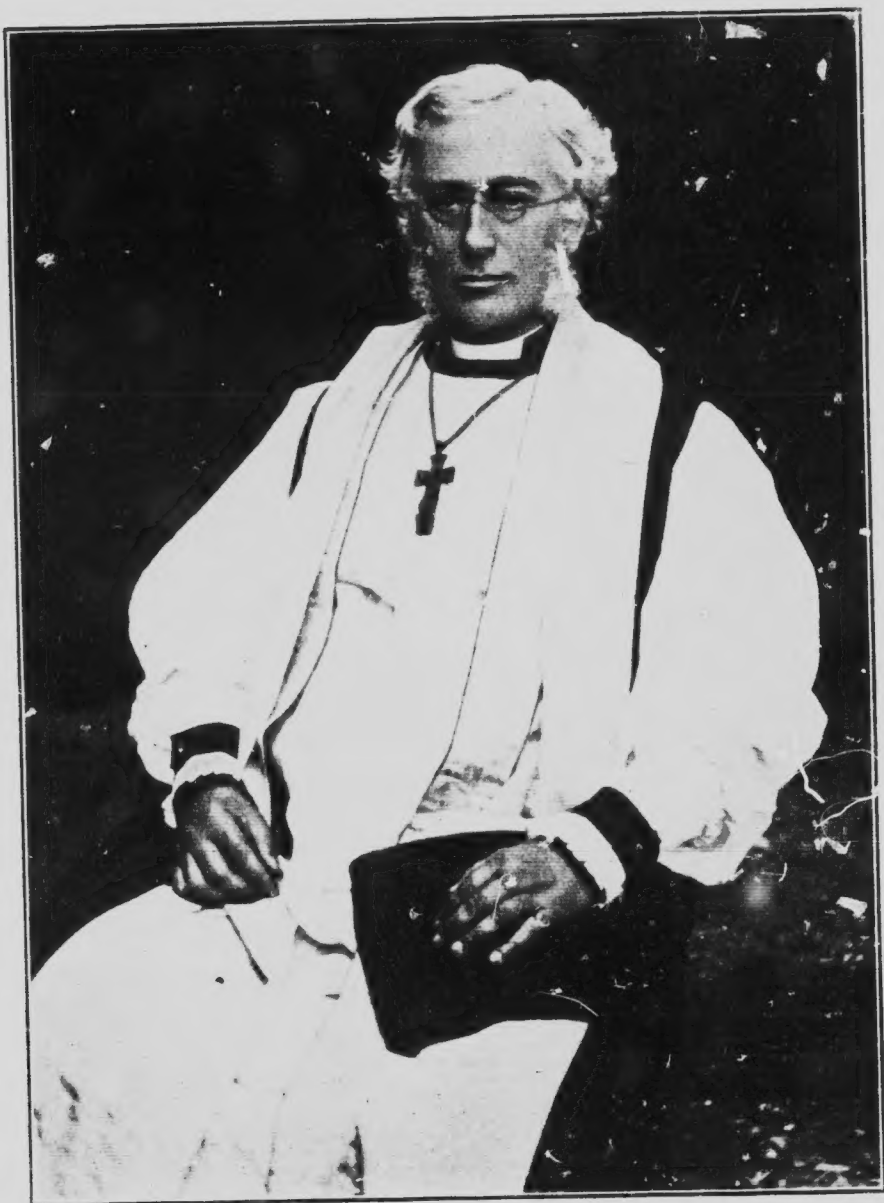
"Whereas, It is desirable to erect some memorial to perpetuate the memory of the first Bishop of Fredericton, as well as to evince a sense of the deep love and veneration felt for him throughout the diocese; therefore

"Resolved, That a committee be appointed to carry out this object, whose duty it shall be to decide upon the form of the memorial, and to solicit subscriptions."

An influential committee was accordingly appointed, including the then Lieutenant Governor Sir Leonard Tilley; the late Chief Justice Sir John C. Allen; the late Lieutenant Governor Fraser, Mr. Justice Hanington, the late Archdeacon Brigstoeke, and others of the most prominent clergy and laity of the diocese. One of the results of their labors was the erection of the beautiful Cenotaph, or memorial tomb, in the South transept of the Cathedral, with the recumbent figure of the late Bishop, carved in white Carrara statuary marble, resting upon an altar-tomb of cream-colored marble.* This memorial is a work of art, and it is an object of interest to all who visit the Cathedral.

The committee decided that in addition to the monument in the Cathedral, a "Bishop Medley Memorial Canoncy Fund" should be raised, which should have, as its leading object, the maintenance of services in vacant parishes. One of the resolutions adopted by the Committee at its final meeting in December, 1896, provided, "That until the income of the Fund is sufficient to provide the stipend for a Canon Missioner, it may be appropriated by the Synod, with the approval of the Bishop, to provide occasional services in vacant missions." The capital of the fund, with accrued interest, is about \$2,083.23. It is now proposed to try to add to this fund at least \$20,000.00, by means of our Thank Offering. The question is really not one of our ability, but of our willingness. There is no doubt as to our ability, if all the parishes join heartily in the movement, to complete the endowment. This at least is the object for which our Synod appeals to the members of the Church today.

*A full description of this beautiful Cenotaph will be found in the Synod Journal for 1897.



THE RIGHT REVEREND HOLLINGWORTH TULLY KINGDON, D. D.

Second Bishop of Fredericton.

Entered into Rest, October, 11th, 1907.

In the 72nd year of his age, the 48th of his Ministry, and the 27th of his Episcopate.

Our Memorial Canonry has associated with it the name of the first Bishop of the Diocese, concerning whom his successor, the late Bishop Kingdon, wrote as follows:

Bishop Kingdon's words in 1893.

"For forty-seven long years he gave his whole care and strength of mind and body to the Church in this diocese—forty-seven long years. He was a grand pioneer Bishop, full of sanguine enthusiasm in his work; full of optimistic views of the work; a temperament most cheering to his clergy. His judgment, keenly conceived, forcibly acted on, resolutely concluded, was a jewel in his crown of worth. So also was his learning in the Holy Scriptures, wherein, like another Timothy, he was instructed by his mother from his infancy. How rare a gem was his eloquence, a gift of God, whereby noble and poetic thoughts were clothed in rare and beautiful language, and delivered to a charmed and attentive audience in soft yet penetrating modulations of voice, which attracted and held the hearers.

"And then his generosity and forbearance; his generosity in purse and heart, his forbearance in mind and voice; his generosity in word and action, his forbearance in word and deed.

"And then his determination and perseverance in the carrying out of what he thought and felt to be right, though it were to his own hinderance. Well might he say, as he did when near his end, *'I call my Heavenly Father to witness that I acted for the best.'*"

How our Thank Offering shall be Raised.

There is only one way by which it can be done, by asking every member of every Parish in the Diocese to do his part. This is not a movement for a few rich men, but one for all the members of the Church in the Diocese. If we depend upon the few, we shall certainly fail; if we depend upon the many, we shall succeed. Let us all act together, and show the world what the Church in New Brunswick can really do. It would be little short of a lasting disgrace if, when throughout the world every

effort is being made to swell the noble Thank Offering, our Diocese should be found to make a pitifully small response to this appeal. The more so as the object is for our own needs. The occasion is a special one—a great one—and it calls for a special and united effort. We must not, of course, let our offerings for this special object interfere with the regular support of the Church. It is to be an extra effort.

First, let a meeting of the Corporation be called in every Parish, so that the plan may be thoroughly discussed. Then send copies of this pamphlet all through the Parish, so that every member of the Church has an opportunity to read it. When that has been done, let the Parish be divided into districts, and collectors appointed for each one, whose duty it shall be to personally ask each member of the Church to subscribe to the Fund. It will be wise in some cases to let the people have the opportunity to spread the payment of their subscriptions over several months, so that they can give more. The most important thing of all, however, is to see that the canvass is made thorough and complete, so that the offering shall really represent the strength of the whole Church.

All subscriptions, clearly marked "Pan-Anglican Congress Thank Offering," together with a list of the subscribers' names, should be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Synod (Mr. J. H. A. L. Fairweather, Prince William Street, St. John), not later than May 1st, 1908.

